



AGENDA
San Joaquin Valley Regional Forum
California Regional Economies Project

February 26, 2004
Grand Occasions Banquets and Catering
4584 W. Jacquelyn Avenue
Fresno, California

- 10:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Purpose of Forum
- Alice Saviez, Chair, Fresno County Workforce Investment Board*
- John Lehn, President and CEO of Kings County Economic Development Corporation*
- Jim Crettol, Member, California Workforce Investment Board and Kern/Inyo/Mono Workforce Investment Board*
- Ed Kawahara, Principal Consultant, California Economic Strategy Panel*
- 10:30 Regional Economy Report: Presentation and Discussion
- Jim King, JK, Inc.*
- 11:15 Regional Clusters of Opportunity: Presentation and Methodology
- Doug Henton, Collaborative Economics*
- 12:00 Lunch Break

12:30 Panel of Employers, Facilitated by Doug Henton

- Tim Curley, Regional Vice President, Hospital Council of Northern California
- Doug Whipple, Field Representative, Carpenters Union, No 701, Fresno
- Steve Windh, Vice President, Ruiz Food Products
- Barry Hibbard, Director of Real Estate and Marketing, Tejon Ranch
- Claude Laval, Claude Laval Corporation
- Jennifer Montana, Consultant to Fresno CRI

1:15 Regional Priorities

Participants write down reasons for choosing particular cluster(s) for further profiling, ideas are posted and summarized, with group discussion of results

1:55 Wrap Up and Next Steps

Ed Kawahara

2:00 Adjourn